

## **GEORGE SAMUEL PETERSON**

### **Lehi Centennial History 1850-1950**

George Samuel Peterson was born January 3, 1884, son of Mathias and Adeline Rhodes Peterson, pioneers of Lehi.

He graduated from the Lehi public school in 1901.

He married Josie Stoddart in 1902 and to them were born five sons and two daughters: Joseph M., Samuel I., Paul A., Howard, Dell S., George Anna, and Maurine.

The following thirty years he spent clerking. In 1930 he opened his own general store in the old Kirkham building at First East and Sixth North.

His wife, Josie, died August 25, 1937. In 1939 he married Lena V. Worlton.

He was superintendent of Lehi Second Ward Sunday School from 1912 to 1920; counselor to Bishop Samuel I. Goodwin in the Second Ward Bishopric from 1920 to 1936; president of the Second Ward Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association 1938-1939; and group leader Second Ward High Priests from 1947 to the present. He was captain of Lehi Camp of the Sons of Utah Pioneers from 1934 to 1947.

He was the first chairman of work relief in Lehi. He served in the city council from 1928 to 1934, and was justice of the peace from 1935 to 1937. He served with the Utah Constabulary as guard in 1942.

He was with the Remington Arms 1942 to 1943 as expediter and distributed over \$8,000,000 worth of materials. In 1944 he worked under Civil Service in the Office of Price Administration.

He was appointed manager of Lehi Hospital in 1948 in which position he presently continues.

In January, 1950, he was again appointed justice of the peace.